

PRINCETON YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

“Team First – Integrity – Grit – Engaged – Respectful”

Monthly Board Meeting Agenda / Minutes

January 23rd, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER: - 6:38 pm

2. ATTENDANCE

Ben Heath, Brianna Gadacz, Becky Krueger, Emily Struffert, Emily Korbel, Brent Benjamin, Krista Benjamin, Amber Wilkinson, Missy McAlpine, Nikki Elton, Jeremy Uhrich, Joe Hostrawser, Eric Englund.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF GAMBLING REPORTS (*Amber Wilkinson, Gambling Manager*)

Slower month for gambling. Moonshine gave us their notice; not too many hockey families visit there. The year-end report was sent out, we received a 4-star rating. The year-end audit went well also. Eric Englund makes a motion to approve LG1004, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes. Ben Heath makes a motion to transfer 20,000 for bills and jerseys, Jeremy Uhrich seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (*Ben Heath, Secretary*)

Becky Krueger makes a motion to approve December’s meeting minutes, Brianna Gadacz seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

5. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF TREASURER REPORT (*Jamen Lewis, Treasurer*)

Jeremy Uhrich makes a motion to approve December’s financials, Eric Englund seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

6. PRESIDENT’S REPORT (*Joe Hostrawser*)

Nothing new to report.

7. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT (*Jeremy Uhrich*)

Nothing new to report.

8. ARENA/ADVERTISING MANAGER REPORT (*Missy McAlpine*)

Ben Heath makes a motion to approve spending \$8,540 for a new ice rink edger, hose, and receptacle, Becky Krueger seconds. All in favor, motion passes. ERV was replaced on 1/18 and the ductwork was on 1/19. Need to run new electrical to the unit which will cost approximately \$2,000. Becky makes a motion to approve spending \$2,050 for a new electrical hook-up to the ERV unit, Brianna Gadacz seconds. All in favor, motion passes.

9. DISTRICT 10 REPORT (*Joe Hostrawser*)

A reminder was sent out to all D10 mite schedulers to make sure ice size for games is listed on team calendars. An email also went out about a futures program, the 2010 and 2011 birth years are still looking for coaches; contact Donn Berglund if interested. 8 redlined coaches this year in D10. Last year there were 60. They think offering more classes online helped lower that number.

10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

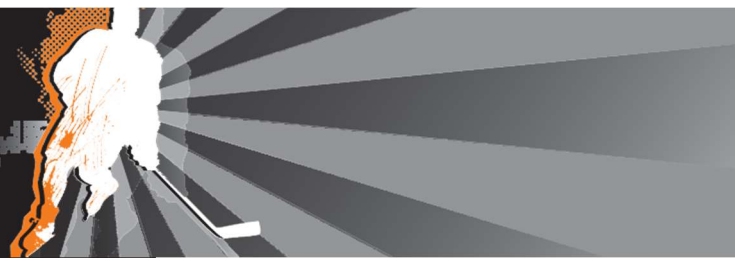
- **Away Tournament Coordinator**, *Joe Hostrawser* – Bantams going to Hudson Tournament on Feb. 17-19th.
- **Communications Coordinator**, *Jeremy Uhrich* – Please send anything that needs to go out before the season end to Jeremy Uhrich.
- **Equipment Manager**, *Eric Englund / Chad Ruzek* – Will talk to team managers about players purchasing jerseys.
- **Fundraising Coordinator**, *Vanessa Voita* – Nothing new to report.
- **Girls Program**, *Becky Krueger* – Looking at dates to invite 4 BBL girls who are currently playing on boys’ teams to try practicing with our PBBL co-op teams, to give them a little exposure to the co-op.
- **Hockey Director**, *Jeremy Uhrich* – Still working with D10 on coaches’ incidents. One player received discipline for fighting in the locker room.
- **Mite Coordinator (On-Ice)**, *Ben Heath* – Nothing new to report.
- **Mite Jamboree Coordinator**, *Danielle Smith* – Nothing new to report.

- **Mite/Tiny Tiger Coordinator (Off-Ice)**, *Brianna Gadacz* – Going well. Most players are no longer pushing chairs.
 - **Outdoor Ice Manager**, *Jon Stenslie* – Might get an edger from UMD Bulldogs. Looking at getting dashers so it doesn't eat up boards.
 - **Recruitment Coordinator**, *Brianna Gadacz* – Brought up the idea of maybe forming a committee to help with recruitment.
 - **Referee Coordinator**, *Chad Ruzek / Joe Hostrawser* – Jamboree went well with youth refs, with no bad reports.
 - **Registration/Registrar Coordinator**, *Nikki Elton / Brittney Stearns* – Nothing new to report.
 - **Scheduling Coordinator (Practice)**, *Joe Hostrawser* – Everything is scheduled up to the 16th of Feb. Waiting for districts to be scheduled.
 - **Scheduling Coordinator (Games)**, *Missy McAlpine* – Bantam and Squirt B2 game just got rescheduled.
 - **Tiny Tiger Coordinator (On-Ice)**, *Ben Heath* – Nothing new to report.
 - **Volunteer Coordinator**, *Becky Krueger* – Will be adding Dibs for D10 playoffs when the schedule comes out.
 - **Website Coordinator**, *Jeremy Uhrich* – Nothing new.
-

11. NEW ITEMS

- **Board Questions/Review Bylaws (Krista Benjamin)** – Had questions about how we determine levels and what the process is to review financial reports. Would like to see more members being involved to help the association out with seeking grants and taking on other non-board member roles.
- **Mighty Duck Grant Update** – Still working with a lawyer to help get mighty duck grant papers in order.
- **End of Year Banquet** – A task list needs to be made to ensure everything gets completed.
- **Jerseys** – Tough jerseys are approximately \$90 for both home and away. Jeremy Uhrich brought samples in. There is approximately a 2-3 week lead time on these. Jerseys should last two years.
- **HDC Meeting Minutes** – Eric Englund read off a number of goals and items the committee would like to work on. See attachment.
- **Coaching/Board Incentives** – Talked about the need to give incentives to coaches, like association apparel – Jackets & Hats. Will discuss more during the off-season.
- **Helmet Requirement On Outdoor Rink** – Missy will order a new sign, and Eric Englund will install it in the warming house and on the door.

12. **ADJOURN:** - Brianna Gadacz makes a motion to adjourn at 10:06 pm, Ben Heath seconds.



Hockey Development Committee

HDC

11-02-2022, 7pm

Agenda

Present – Andy, Gage, Todd, and Scott

1. Establish dates for December 2022, January, February meetings. Discussion was to schedule 3 meetings. Discussion was to go with Wednesday 12-07-2022 at 6:30pm (moved to 12-14-22 at 7pm), Wednesday January 18th at 7pm and Wednesday February 15th at 6:30pm.
2. Identify committee expectations for 2022-23 season. Group discussed expectations / goals for this season. Group came up with 3 items to start working on. 1. Update website (HDC tab) Mission statement, long term goals, members, procedures / policies. 2. Group would like to be part / participate with coaches' meetings during season. Discussion was to talk about developing a practice plan (example – players not standing around) along with making sure that players understand why drill is being done (example – breaking down drill to create hockey IQ). 3. Identify and evaluate weakness within program regarding skill set and develop a plan to improve in the identified area(s).
3. Discuss long term goals for the committee for the boys' and girls' youth programs. 1. Discussion was about evaluating tryout processes and adding or suggesting ideas to processes as well as assisting board with coaches' selection (interviews of coaches) and help board. 2. Develop guidance for skill progression with players to assist coaches. 3. Identify and project numbers at levels to determine issues (example bantams this year with one team) on a yearly basis and attempt to correct problem.
4. Identify procedures between (meeting minutes) of HDC and the Princeton Youth Hockey Board. This communication is provided via Vice President Jeremy Uhrich who serves as the liaison between HDC and the PYHA Board. Discussion was to develop procedures to assist board with communication to HDC via Jeremy and from HDC back to the Board. HDC Committee will make every attempt to have member present during board meetings for questions or follow up in addition to Jeremy and Eric.
5. Establish contact list of members (phone and email), create text group and email group. (Head Boys Coach Andy Fondrick, Head Hockey Coach Gage Chaffee, Scott Fritz, Todd Frederick, Eric Englund Bryan Osmondson and HDC Liaison Jeremy Uhrich)

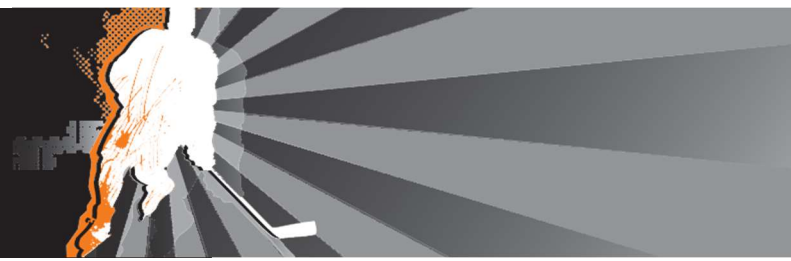
Andy – Princetonhockey@isd477.org Scott – sdf171@gmail.com Todd – tkfrederick22@gmail.com
Gage – coachfuzzy@gmail.com Bryan – bryan.compedge@gmail.com
Eric - englund_eric@yahoo.com Jeremy - ymerej12@hotmail.com

5A. Misc Discussion – Grouped discussed how to improve the culture / experience of our athletes within the association. With improvement in these areas will build numbers and tradition within the program, making Princeton a hockey culture players will want to be a part of. Discussed improving training / education (video), social media, décor in arena to show history, tradition for the athletes. Training aids, off ice workouts ect.

6. Agenda items for December meeting.

1. Establish protocol for working with teams / coaches / board on development or possible concerns.
2. Start discussion on Identify main weakness with program hockey development and begin discussing potential solutions.
3. Complete recommendations to update website (HDC tab)
4. Discussion on first coaches meeting and talking points.

P.O. Box 398 Princeton, MN 55371 • princetonyouthhockey.com



HDC Meeting Minutes

12-14-2022

(Present – Gage Chaffee, Scott Fritz, Todd Frederick, Eric Englund)

(Absent – Jeremy Ulrich, Bryan Osmondson, Andy Fondrick)

The following items were discussed by committee:

- Jeremy U. asked that we discuss creating a long-term goal to explain to the Princeton Hockey community (parents, players) “A” hockey vs. “B” hockey. The group discussed holding a parent meeting before the season to discuss the benefits of “A” hockey and how to achieve a more consistent “A” program.
- The committee also discussed that we ultimately need to create volume (players) to achieve a quality “A” program at all levels including Squirts. The discussion led to more volume needed which will create more appropriate levels for kids to play at and succeed
- The committee discussed how to develop an “A” culture. This includes expectations of work ethic out of season and in season. Having discussion with parents on how to create an “A” skill set during the summer.
- The committee discussed that we need to assist PYHA Board in creating a policy for loaning players to other associations to allow for them to play at the appropriate level if PYHA numbers create a problem with teams.
- The committee discussed creating a marketing plan to recruit players within the community as well as families moving into the community. This includes families looking to move to the area and convincing to move to the Princeton Community vs. a surrounding community.
- The committee discussed having a conversation and recommendation to the PYHA board to create a recruitment committee to assist the recruitment coordinator. This committee should be represented by both parents from both high school programs, Princeton Youth Hockey Association members, Business members from the community and possibly the Princeton School District.
- The committee discussed an email from a parent of a player within the association. The email discussed the concerns of a team and their level of play. The committee discussed how to appropriately evaluate the level of play considering the overall goal of needing the “A” culture. Questions from committee on players associated with the team on what summer work was done, numbers at the level and variables that played into the current team issues.
- The committee wondered if a survey needed to be created to establish why players are lost at each level from year to year from Mites to Bantams and 8u to 12u.

- The committee discussed attending the next PYHA Board meeting to introduce ourselves to the board.
- Discussion on how to draw more population to the Princeton School District to allow for an increase in association players. Possibly creating a meeting between PYHA Board and School District (Activities Director at High School and the middle school activities director).